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Selected 2007 Events Calendar

January 14 Music of the Carolinas Series

Museum of History, Raleigh

Performances of traditional Piedmont music genres through early June

January 15 N.C. Highway Historical Marker Dedication Rocky Mount

Observing the delivery of the precursor of Dr. Martin Luther King's "I Have a Dream" speech given while visiting Rocky Mount and the 1,500th N.C. Highway Historical Marker to be installed.

Jan. 30 American Presidents: Life Portraits through Museum of History, Raleigh April 8 American Presidents: Life Portraits feature.

American Presidents: Life Portraits features the only complete collection of American presidential oil portraits by one artist, renowned painter and sculptor Chas Fagan. Accompanying the Fagan portraits are biographical sketches of all 43 presidents, photographs contributed by the White House Historical Association that capture each president's time in the White House, as well as historic front pages of American newspapers announcing presidential election results. North Carolina artist Chas Fagan painted the presidential portraits.

February 11 Heart and Soul: African-American History in McDowell County Area Mountain Gateway Museum, Old Fort

February 9-11 Bill of Rights Tour featuring Freedom of the Press

Special Operations Museum, Fayetteville

Home of the state's oldest continuously published newspaper.

February 17 Tuskegee Airmen

N.C. Transportation Museum, Spencer

Members of the Goldsboro chapter of the Tuskeegee Airmen will talk about their experiences flying as part of an all African-American fighter squadron.

February 21 Pirate Ships, Slave Ships and Colonial America N.C. Maritime Museum, Beaufort

Symposium examining the conversion of slave ships by pirates, the hierarchy of colonial America, international

maritime activity, and the culture of slave ships.

March 2 Ten Years with the Queen Anne's Revenge Museum of History, Raleigh

A forum for review and discussion of information and insight gained during the 10 year examination of the shipwreck of the purported Queen Anne's Revenge, Blackbeard's flagship.

March 9-11 Bill of Rights Tour

Cameron Art Museum-Wilmington

In the hometown of the state's oldest synagogue.

March 23 You Will Be Remembered: A Lost Colony

Retrospective

Outer Banks History Center, Roanoke Island

April 15 Temples and Tombs: Treasures of Egyptian Art

from the British Museum NC Museum of Art, Raleigh

Through July 8

April 19-21 Bill of Rights Tour

Chowan County Courthouse, Edenton

Located in North Carolina's oldest courthouse

April 26-29 MerleFest

Wilkesboro

The twentieth anniversary year of celebration of the music of the late Merle Watson and his father, Doc

Watson.

May Capital Bank Blue Skies and Red Earth Tour of

Western North Carolina

Under the baton of Music Director Grant Llewellyn

May 5 North Carolina People

Museum of History, Raleigh

Sample the food, music and culture of the people who

have settled in this state.

May 15 Heroes and Home Fires: North Carolina's

Contributions During the Great War Museum of the Cape Fear, Fayetteville

Artifacts related to World War I exhibited through July 8

June American Dance Festival

Durham

Six week international festival of performances along with workshops and classes for dance students.

June 20th Anniversary Family Rail Days Festival

N.C. Transportation Museum, Spencer

Relive the golden years of railroading with a weekend full of family fun! Train rides, model trains, live music, children's activities and the 5th annual Rail Days Chili

Cookoff.

Outdoor Dramas:

June 2-Aug. 18 The Lost Colony

Manteo

Celebrating its seventieth year as the country's oldest continuous outdoor drama, recounts the ill-fated settlement of Roanoke Island by England in 1587.

Begins June 15 Horn in the West

Boone

This brings to life the story of frontiersman Daniel Boone and the settlement of the Blue Ridge Mountain area during the time of the Revolutionary War.

Heritage Festivals:

June 2 Millstock Music and Arts Faire

Clayton, NC

Local performers and artisans showcase their talents

June 2 Tar River Festival

Louisburg

Celebrating the traditional music and arts of the region

June 2-3 Ocrafolk Music and Storytelling Festival

Ocracoke

June 8-10 Charlie Poole Music Festival

Eden

Celebrates contemporary American roots music

July 4 Independence Day

State Capitol, Raleigh

Old-fashioned family entertainment with a patriotic concert and a picnic

Aug. 17-19 Richard Caswell Celebration

CSS Neuse, Kinston

A proclamation and tribute to North Carolina's first governor with speeches, revolutionary-era reenactors, weapon and trade demonstrations and more Fall Our Story: The Story of the Thirteen County

Albemarle Region

Museum of the Albemarle, Elizabeth City

Sept. 15 North Carolina Symphony's 75th Anniversary Gala

Meymandi Concert Hall, Progress Energy Center,

Raleigh

With opera sensation Denyce Graves

Sept. 17-23 Bill of Rights Tour

State Capitol, Raleigh

Highlights non-enumerated rights during Constitution

Week

Oct. 5-7 Bill of Rights Tour

Charlotte

Will showcase the right to assemble/petition, in

Charlotte, at the home of the Mecklenburg Resolves

Nov. 8-10 Bill of Rights Tour

Asheville

Highlighting the Right to a Jury Trial and Due Process, in Asheville and in conjunction with the N.C. Literary and

Historical Association meeting